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AMERICORPS DIRECTOR ROSIE MAUK VISITS CALIFORNIA FOR MLK DAY

LOS ANGELES – David Muraki, Executive Director for the Governor’s Office on Service and Volunteerism (GO SERV) will be joined by Rosie Mauk, national director of AmeriCorps, to visit project sites in the Los Angeles area on Monday, January 19, in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Muraki and Mauk will join the Los Angeles Conservation Corps and 200 volunteers to renovate the homes of over 30 elderly low-income people. The Corps members and volunteers will work in teams to provide minor repair work such as cleaning up backyards and garages, repairing fences, painting, and planting to rehab the residences.

David Muraki and Rosie Mauk will also participate in the Orange County Volunteer Center MLK Day project by preparing boxes at the Orange County Food Bank for needy families. These projects represent just a small portion of the activities being planned across California to make MLK Day “a day ON, not a day off.”

“These volunteers get an exceptional amount of work done in a day,” Mauk commented. “The benefits are tremendous, and reinforce the significant impact AmeriCorps members have on California communities.”

GO SERV, California’s national service commission, supports over 2,400 AmeriCorps members by providing \$13 million in grants to local programs throughout California. AmeriCorps engages thousands of Americans each year in intensive service to meet community needs in education, the environment, public safety, homeland security, and other areas. AmeriCorps is funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service, which also oversees Senior Corps and Learn and Serve America. For more information, visit www.nationalservice.org and www.goserv.ca.gov.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY 19, 2004:

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| 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Los Angeles Conservation Corps
Clean & Green Site
3101 South Grand Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90007
213/747-1141 |
| 2 – 3:30 p.m. | Orange County Food Bank
Community Action Partnership
12640 Knotts Street
Garden Grove, CA 92841
714/897-6670 |



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